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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The regular Session of the 91st General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks, and will our guests in the galleries please rise? Our prayer today will be given by Pastor Jamie Allen, Ashland Christian Church {sic} (Ashland Church of Christ), Ashland, Illinois. Pastor Allen.

PASTOR JAMIE ALLEN:

(Prayer by Pastor Jamie Allen)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Sieben)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Geo-Karis, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, just to announce that Carl Hawkinson will not be here today because of a death in the family.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The record will so indicate. Reading of the Journal. Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Mr. President, I move that reading and approval of the Journals of Wednesday, February 24th; Thursday, February 25th; Friday, February 26th; and Tuesday, March 2nd, in the year 1999, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journals.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Myers moves to postpone the reading and the approval of the Journal, pending the arrival of the printed transcript. There being no objections, so ordered. Committee Reports.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Sieben, Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Conservation, reports Senate Bills 474, 678, 725 and 751 Do Pass.

Senator Hawkinson, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary, reports Senate Bills 223, 315, 351, 391, 392, 393, 396, 398, 404, 405, 459, 465, 480, 481, 485, 504, 542, 570, 572, 574, 643, 730, 731 and 753 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 26, 48, 242, 254, 394 and 401 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Mahar, Chair of the Committee on Environment and Energy, reports Senate Bill 204 Do Pass.

And Senator Fawell, Chair of the Committee on Transportation, reports Senate Bill 740 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 217, 276 and 741 Do Pass, as Amended.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Demuzio, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Like the record to reflect - after I saved you last night - like the record to reflect that Senator Margaret Smith is absent today due to illness.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The record will so indicate. If I could have your attention for one minute. We're going to go to 2nd Reading, maybe Resolutions. But tomorrow we'll do 2nd, and we will do 3rd Readings. So, I know a lot of people like to go home early on the last day we're here. I would suggest to you that we're going to do 3rd Readings, so you better be here. Thank you. Introduction of Bills.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1200, offered by Senators Watson and Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1201, by Senators Parker and Philip.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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Senate Bill 1202, presented by Senator Myers.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1203, by Senators Weaver and Rauschenberger.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1204, by Senators Weaver and Rauschenberger.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1205, by Senators Weaver and Rauschenberger.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1206, by Senators Weaver and Rauschenberger.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

And Senate Bill 1207, by Senators Cronin and Philip.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Cronin, Chair of the Committee on Education, reports Senate Bills 226 {sic}, 324, 441, 462, 463 and 464 Do Pass; and Senate Bill 549 Do Pass, as Amended.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

On the top of page 2 on today's Calendar, Senate Bills 2nd Readings. All right. With leave, we'll read the Rules Committee Report, instead of going to 2nd Reading. Leave granted? Leave is granted. Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Weaver, Chair of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Conservation - Senate Bill 785, 789, 1068, 1070, 1074, 1199, and Senate Resolution 49; to the Committee on Appropriation - Senate Bills -- 637, 905, 985, 1034, 1035, 1203, 1204, 1205 and 1206; to the Committee on Commerce and Industry - Senate Bills 776, 777, 781, 791, 901, 960, 962, 969,

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970, 971, 973, 974, 975, 977, 978, 981, 990, 1039, 1182, and Senate Resolution 50; to the Committee on Education - Senate Bills 840, 908, 1052, 1053, 1054, 1060, 1075, 1126, 1127, 1133, 1134, 1145, 1160 and 1168, and Senate Resolution 43, and Senate Joint Resolution 17; re-referred from the Education Committee to the Rules Committee - Senate Bill 412; refer to the Committee on Environment and Energy - Senate Bills 910, 948, 950, 951, 963, 967, 1046, 1076, 1078, 1088 and 1165; to the Committee on Executive - Senate Bills 412, 775, 779, 788, 907, 954, 955, 968, 980, 984, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000, 1001, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1005, 1006, 1007, 1008, 1009, 1010, 1011, 1012, 1013, 1014, 1015, 1016, 1017, 1018, 1019, 1028, 1033, 1036, 1040,

1045, 1056, 1072, 1079, 1080, 1081, 1084, 1085, 1087, 1089, 1090,
1091, 1092, 1093, 1094, 1095, 1096, 1097, 1098, 1099, 1100, 1101,
1102, 1104, 1163, 1164, 1172, 1180, 1183, 1193, 1994 {sic} (1194).

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Demuzio, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Mr. President, thank you. It's my understanding that we are celebrating, one of our Members, another birthday. And he has a great big cake over there at his desk. It's Senator Larry Walsh's birthday. I don't see the cake, but it'll soon be here. Won't it, Larry? So let's say happy birthday to Senator Larry Walsh today.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Demuzio, how old is the young Senator Walsh?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Well, I don't know. I just -- all I told him was I hope I look as good as he does at his age, when I get there.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Yeah. What you're saying, when you get to be our age, we don't like to talk about age. Right? I understand that. And now

continue with the Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Bills referred to the Executive Committee - 1193, 1194, 1198, and Senate Resolutions 39, 41, 48, and Senate Joint Resolutions 13, 14, 15, 16 and 18; refer to the Committee on Financial Institutions - Senate Bills 986, 1026, 1055, and Senate Resolution 42; to the Committee on Insurance and Pensions - Senate Bills 778, 790, 944, 945, 964, 1020, 1021, 1022, 1024, 1047, 1048, 1049, 1050, 1051, 1103, 1108, 1115, 1146, 1152, 1162, 1176, 1177, 1178 and 1179; to the Committee on Judiciary - Senate Bills 675, 784, 904, 911, 947, 961, 982, 1027, 1037, 1038, 1043, 1044, 1057, 1058, 1062, 1064, 1083, 1112, 1119, 1120, 1121, 1122, 1123, 1128, 1132, 1142, 1143, 1147, 1149, 1150, 1157, 1159, 1169 and 1175; to the Committee on Licensed Activities - Senate Bills 1069 and 1130; to the Committee on Local Government - Senate Bills 906, 909, 919, 941, 956, 958, 959, 966, 983, 1131, 1137, 1138, 1139, 1140, 1141, 1166, 1171 and 1184; and re-referred from the Local Government Committee to the Rules Committee - Senate Bill 675.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Now, on top of page 6 of today's Calendar, Senate Bills 2nd Reading. Senate Bill 6. Senator O'Malley. Senate Bill 6. Senator O'Malley. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 10. Senator Fawell. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 10.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Public Health and Welfare adopted two amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

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No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Weaver, Chair of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to the Committee on Public Health and Welfare - Senate Bills 683, 774, 782, 783, 787, 912, 943, 949, 952, 953, 965, 1063, 1065, 1067, 1077, 1106, 1107, 1109, 1110, 1111, 1113, 1114, 1116, 1117, 1124, 1135 and 1181; to the Committee on Revenue - Senate Bills 780, 900, 902, 903, 913, 946, 957, 979, 1025, 1032, 1066, 1082, 1118, 1144, 1170, and Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 110; refer to the Committee on State Government Operations - Senate Bills 786, 972, 988, 1023, 1029, 1030, 1031, 1041, 1061, 1071, 1105, 1125, 1148, 1154, 1158, 1161, 1173, 1174 and 1207; to the Committee on Transportation - Senate Bills 976, 987, 989, 1042, 1059, 1073, 1086, 1129, 1136, 1151, 1153, 1155, 1156, 1167, 1201, and Senate

Resolution 40; and Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 34, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 109, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 289, and Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 389.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Hopefully for the last and final time, on page 2 on today's Calendar, the top of page 2, Senate Bills 2nd Reading. Senate Bill 13. Senator Syverson. Senate Bill 13. Senator Syverson. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 29. Senator Parker. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 31. Senator Sieben. Senate Bill 31. Senator Sieben. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 32. Senator O'Malley. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 44. Senator Lauzen. Senate Bill 44. Senator Lauzen. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 45. Senator Parker. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 45.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Revenue adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any other Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd -- 3rd Reading. Senate Bill 71. Senator Sieben. Senate Bill -- take it out of the record. Senate Bill 82. Senator del Valle. Senate Bill 82. Senator del Valle. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 84. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 98. Senator O'Malley. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 98.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Financial Institutions adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any other Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senator Shadid, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SHADID:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State your point.

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SENATOR SHADID:

Mr. President, in the gallery -- in the Senate gallery today, led by Mr. Calvin Butler, are members of the 1999 Peoria Area Chamber of Commerce Leadership School. The Leadership School presents participants with a broad spectrum of community businesses, the workings of government, the opportunities facing the community, and the role individuals can play in solving community challenges. Would you join me in welcoming them to Springfield?

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Would they please stand and be recognized by the Senate? Senate Bill 98. Senator O'Malley. Senate Bill 98. Senator O'Malley. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 105. Senator Watson. Senate Bill 105. Senator Watson. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 110. Senator Clayborne. Senate Bill 110. Senator Clayborne. Take it out of the record. Top of page 3. Senate Bill 117. Senator Luechtefeld. Senate Bill 117. Senator Luechtefeld. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 146. Senator Peterson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 146.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 171. Senator Klemm. Senate Bill 171. Senator Klemm. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 185. Senator Syverson. Senate Bill 185. Senator Syverson. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 206. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 252. Senator Lauzen. Senate Bill 252. Senator Lauzen. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 268. Senator Parker. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 289. Senator

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Silverstein. Senate Bill -- take it out of the record. Senate Bill 321. Senator Rauschenberger. Senate Bill -- read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 321.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 322. Senator Donahue. Read the

bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 322.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Now, with leave, I'll go back. I skipped over a bill on -- on page 2. Senate Bill 55. Senator Parker. Read the bill, Senator Parker. Read the bill, Mr....

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 55.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 323. Senator Donahue. Senate Bill 323. Senator Parker. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 363. Senator Walsh. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 380. Senator Dillard. Senate Bill 380. Senator Dillard. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 430. Senator Bomke. Senate Bill 430. Senator Bomke. Take it out of the record.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

For the information for the Members, it is our intention to go to page 4, 3rd Reading, but we are going to 3rd Reading only for

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the purpose of recalls. So, for those of you that have bills on 3rd Reading, recall, we are going to page 4. Senator Radogno, do you wish this bill returned to 2nd Reading for purposes of an amendment? Senator Radogno seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 34 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Senate Bill 34 is on the Order of 2nd Reading. Are there Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Radogno.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Senator Radogno, explain your amendment.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

This amendment merely changes the effective date of this particular bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Have you all heard the amendment? If so, those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 109. Senator Munoz. Out of the record. Senator Rauschenberger. Senator Rauschenberger, on Senate Bill 389. Senator Rauschenberger seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 389 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the

purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted.
Senate Bill 389 is on 2nd Reading. Mr. Secretary, are there any
Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Berman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

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Senator who? Senator Berman, on Senate Amendment No. 1.
Senator -- Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the
Senate. Floor Amendment No. 1 inserts the words "by the General
Assembly" immediately after the word "appropriation" in the bill.
It's a technical amendment. It clarifies clearly that only the
General Assembly can appropriate from the funds that this bill
establishes. I'd appreciate its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Is there any discussion on Senate Amendment 1 on Senate Bill
389? If not, those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes
have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor
amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

3rd Reading. On page 6 of your Calendar, page 6 of your Calendar, is Resolutions. On page 6 of the Calendar is the Order of Secretary's Desk, Resolutions. Senator O'Malley, on Senate Resolution 26. Do you wish your resolution considered? Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 26, offered by Senator O'Malley.

No committee or Floor amendments, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Senator O'Malley, on -- explain the resolution.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Resolution 26 urges the U.S. Senate to refrain from confirming the treaty associated with the International Criminal Court initiative. That initiative does not have the basic safeguards built into it that we, as U.S.

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citizens, enjoy under the Bill of Rights. And I'd be happy to answer any questions there may be.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Is there any discussion? If not, Senator O'Malley moves the adoption of Senate Resolution 26. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 {sic} (51) voting Aye, 1 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. And the resolution is adopted. On that -- on the same order, on page 6, is Senate Resolution 27. Senator Jones. Do you wish your resolution considered? Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 27, offered by Senator Emil Jones.
No committee or Floor amendments, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Senator Jones, to...

SENATOR E. JONES:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Resolution 27 honors the life of a young man who was killed on the outer drive at 59th Street. His name is Harvey Gordon Clark. And he was killed because there weren't any safety barriers at the medians. Since that time, those barriers have been erected, and these plaques will be honoring -- honoring him; will be called the Harvey Gordon Clark Lifesaver Memorial. We do this for persons who make that request. In the last eight or nine years, I believe, we've done eleven of these types of requests around the State of Illinois. Working in conjunction with the City of Chicago and the Department of Transportation, they will erect this particular plaque in his honor. And I know of no opposition, and ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Any discussion? Senator Silverstein.

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SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Just for the record, with the past resolution, No. 26, my intentions was to vote Yes. I just hit the wrong button. So I just want to put that for the record.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

The record shall reflect. Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Thank you, Madam President. I have a question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Indicates he'll yield. Senator Jones. Oh, Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Senator Jones, I apologize, 'cause it's a little hard to hear your explanation, and is the Department of Transportation the one who will be erecting these plaques? And can you kind of describe what the plaque is?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR E. JONES:

I'll give you an example. I have one in my hand that was erected. This bridge is dedicated in the memory of Matt Ryan, who lost his life in -- in 1997, and we best remember him for our days -- his days upon this earth; bridges that we build and bridges that we cross. A young man was killed -- I forgot what community it was; it's somewhere here in southern Illinois. And they erect -- erect these plaques. The Department of Transportation will make up the plaque and they place 'em at various locations whenever such request comes in. And this is what this particular resolution has called for.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

And I -- I -- do -- this is really difficult, 'cause I know

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that this is a -- a death of someone and I -- I -- it -- and I understand. Are we going to get into a situation where we have accidents and deaths on our roads where plaques are going to be erected for this? I know in Europe they have what they call "black spots" to show where a fatal accident has happened. I'm just wondering, are we going to do this? What's the cost of the

plaques? What's going to, you know, there's -- there's a lot to this. And I know it's very -- and I don't mean to, on a very personal thing, Senator, but I think the questions have to be asked.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR E. JONES:

Yes. I'm glad you asked -- asked the question. This young man, whose father's a friend of mine, he worked very diligently over the years because he believes his son was killed in a wrongful accident. Since that time, the City of Chicago and Department of Transportation have erected those barriers along the median of the outer drive, which is called Lake Shore Drive. As I indicated to you, in order for this to happen, resolutions must be passed. The young man that I spoke of, Matt Ryan, I forgot what community that that plaque - and here's the copy of the resolution - he was killed on April 9th, 1997, on the -- as he walked along the shoulder of Wolf Road. And this was the House resolution asking that this be erected, which was done by DOT. In the past eight years, I believe eleven such plaques have been placed at various locations around the State of Illinois. And it's not something that comes up every day, but if a request of this nature comes in, it has been honored. And so therefore, I'm honoring this particular request of one whom I knew, and I would like for that to take place. But it's not something that's going to happen every day. I put it that way to you. DOT - information they

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supplied my staff with - indicated that in the past, I believe, several years, eleven such plaques have been erected around the State of Illinois and the latest one that I know of was done in 1997. And so I ask the same for this young man.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Further discussion? Senator Walsh.

SENATOR T. WALSH:

Thank you, Madam President. I stand in support of the resolution. And being familiar with the Matt Ryan situation, which took place in my district, it has meant an awful lot, not only to the family, to the Ryan family, but also -- he was a young child. I believe at that time he was eleven or twelve years old. And it's meant a lot to his classmates also, my nephew being one of his classmates. And it's just a -- and I understand what Senator Donahue is talking about, that at what point does this get out of hand. But I think that we can take a look at, you know, maybe take a look at these situations one by one, and I think if it's -- if somebody feels that it's merited, that we ought to do it. But I know in the situation of Matt Ryan, which is the most recent situation, that it has -- it has meant an awful lot to our community, and I stand in support of it. And if the same thing can help the community down in -- is it, down in Harvey, I would -- I would think it'd be a great thing. This has -- again, this

has meant a lot to young kids and to the family and to our entire community.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Further discussion? Senator Jones. Senator Jones, close -- moves the adoption of Senate Resolution 27. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On this question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present, and this resolution is adopted.

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Senate Joint Resolution 2. Senator Burzynski, do you wish your resolution considered? Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Joint Resolution 2, offered by Senator Burzynski.

No committee or Floor amendments, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This resolution designates portions of U.S. 30, Illinois 38, and other local routes as the Historic Lincoln Highway route.

Provides for the posting of appropriate signs by the -- by IDOT. And just to give you a little bit of a history, this is just actually a renaming of what it was -- occurred in 1912. The Lincoln Highway was established as a highway across the country from New York to California. This is part of a national effort to redesignate the Lincoln Highway.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Any discussion? If not, Senator Burzynski moves the adoption of Senate Joint Resolution No. 2. Those in favor, vote Aye, and opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present, and this resolution is adopted. Senator Maitland, for what reason do you rise?

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Thank you very much, Madam President, Members of the Senate. On a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

State your point.

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Yes. Thank you, Madam President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the

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Senate, I -- I want to call your attention, if I might, this afternoon. You may all recall that in July of 2000, the NCSL annual meeting is going to be in the City of Chicago. We did this in 1982 and provided a great forum to -- to really showcase Illinois and Chicago. We're privileged to have the opportunity to do this again in -- in the year 2000. This will be the 25th Anniversary of NCSL, and Senator Berman, Senator Obama, Senator Dudycz and I both -- all four serve on the executive committee from the Senate. There are four members from the House. With us today, I'm happy to introduce to all of you the individual who we have hired to be the Executive Director of NCSL 2000. Her name is Jane Rodriguez. Jane, if you would stand up, please, and be recognized by the Senate. We're delighted to have you here.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Welcome. Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 55, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 56, by Senator O'Malley.

They're both death resolutions, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Joint Resolution 21, offered by Senator del Valle.

It's substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

Is there any further business to come before the Senate? If not, Senator Geo-Karis moves that the Senate stand adjourned until

the hour of 11 a.m., Thursday, March 4th. 11 a.m., Thursday,
March 4th. We are adjourned.